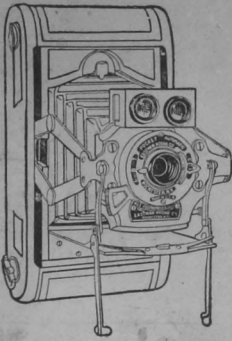


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EDITORIAL

Farewell. Once more the bright May sun shines down on Manitoba College, but its rays seek out the Arts students in other places, scattered over the Last Great West from Superior to Nootka. To them the final Journal of 1907-08 would convey its message of thanks, deep gratitude for the loyal support they have given it every day of the college year, and no less for the enduring devotion they have shown old 'Toba in every phase of her life, of which the Journal considers itself inseparably a part. Now we must say Farewell, that pass-word of the West, but shame on him who would say a sad farewell while the student heart sings with hope, while life is over-running with opportunity and we and the West are young.

90 Per Cent. There is a certain rule in Manitoba College that the student shall attend 90% of the lectures of each of his instructors, and on pain of his failing to do so shall be refused certification in the spring for the University Examinations. This rule has demanded increasing attention of the student body for the last four years. At first it was regarded as potentially a request of the Faculty but there has been a growing realization that that body wishes it to be known as an iron law permitting of no escape. It is understood that this spring the years '09 and '10 are petitioning to have it removed.

We may say just here that it is invariably the kicked cur yelps. The industrious book-worm who comes to his lectures in the morning and returns home to spend the afternoon and

evening buried in his texts has nothing to say about the 90%, he does not feel its existence. But the student of the other stamp, the one who wishes to crowd ten months' study, sport, debating, pleasure and college life into the space of six months, he is the one who feels his ire rising at a restriction requiring him to curtail his pleasure and regulate his study to the pace of a rule which he speedily denominates as an abomination and a curse.

The 90% rule is by no means without defence. If the class-room, the text-book and the professor constitute the college course and confer all its benefits, as not a few contend, attendance is not only right but imperative. Again, it may be that it is impossible for the student to derive any benefit from his lectures except by regular attendance upon them. Or, a third consideration: are professors faithfully preparing their work day by day, toiling to do their best for their pupils to be at the students' caprice whether they attend or not? And again, are students fresh from the strict supervision of public school or collegiate to be given absolute liberty as to how they spend their time while those capable of guiding them allow them to make any shipwreck of their course that they please?

From the student's point of view the 90% is a decided nuisance. By it he can be forced to come to practically all lectures since the professor, it seems, is at liberty to reject any explanation short of sickness. Intercollegiate debate and hockey need form no excuse. Neither does the quality of his lectures give him any protection. There are lectures which the students have considered worthless, but they were forced to attend them day after day. On other occasions when the student was behind in his studies and every hour was precious he was forced to attend lectures which in their very nature he could have prepared equally as well at home and in less time.

There has been another reason for the existence of the 90% rule which some have darkly hinted at. They say it was created to ensure attendance upon certain lectures popularly regarded as worthless. An abolition of the rule would speedily demonstrate whether there be any truth in this or not. That such a thing should ever have been so is utterly unworthy of any decent college.

There is another reason for objecting to the 90% quite devoid of any speculation. The students of Manitoba College have a principal whom they believe to be their sterling friend at heart, yet every time a 90% quarrel blows up such a faith is sadly strained until the excitement and anger of the struggle against the Faculty has worn away. In these fights with the Faculty, as the student would say, that body has not always come off victorious; and the conclusion which it comes easy for the students to draw is that they must enter into the bitterest contentions with their professors to maintain their own rights; or, that it is one of the disagreeable necessities of a college course that they should be ready at any time to fight their faculty to the highest courts of the college to prevent their suffering a grave injustice.

If the purpose of the college is to serve its students then the 90% regulation should also serve the students. If such a premise is true, the 90% should be retained if it is a benefit, it should be abolished if it is not.

For never saw I mien or face
In which more plainly I could trace,
Benignity and home-bred sense,
Ripening into perfect innocence.



A face with gladness overspread,
Soft smiles by human kindness bred,
And seemliness complete that sways
Her courtesies about her plays.

With no restraint but such as springs
From quick and eager visitings
Of thoughts that lie beyond the reach
Of faltering words of English speech.

From 'Toba has graduated no more friendly or sympathetic student than Miss Alberta Thompson, the sterling qualities of whose character are recognized not only by her class-mates but by her whole circle of college friends. As a token of their esteem and appreciation

her fellow students chose her as senior ladies' representative in her final year. Miss Thompson is a specialist in modern languages, in which department all confidently expect for her a most successful career.

The quotation, "Her voice is ever soft and low, an excellent thing in woman," may be aptly applied to the subject of this sketch. Although Miss Graham was of a



retiring nature the sweetness and cheerfulness of her disposition won for her numerous friends. When others were inclined to be severe in their criticism or merely just in their judgment, she was ever ready to point out the good qualities.

She was the pride
Of her familiar sphere—the daily joy
Of all who on her gracefulness might
gaze,
And in the light and music of her way
Have a companion's portion.

Gentleness and sunniness were not the only outstanding characteristics of this fair maid of the General Course—those who associated with her soon recognized her natural cleverness and the versatility of her intellect.

Full of power ;
And gentle ; liberal minded, great,
Consistent ; wearing all that weight
Of learning lightly like a flower.

Her eyes like stars of twilight fair ;
Like twilights, too, her dusky hair ;
But all things else about her drawn
From May-time and the cheerful dawn.



A countenance in which did meet,
Sweet records, promises as sweet ;
A creature not too bright or good
For human nature's daily food ;

The reason firm, the temperate will,
Endurance, foresight, strength and
skill ;

A perfect woman, nobly plained,
To warn, to comfort, and command.

Of all the ladies who have passed between 'Toba's turrets none have been so universally known in every sense of the word, or have played a more prominent part in 'Toba's government and social affairs than Miss Telford. She has held some of the highest offices in 'Toba's power to give, and each has she fulfilled to the entire satisfaction of all. Into all that she undertook, Miss Telford put unexampled energy and enthusiasm. She was the ideal college girl — college in sentiment, spirit and action. No match, hockey or football, was ever played at which Miss Telford was not to be found, flag and colors waving, cheering our boys on to victory. As Mrs. Malaprop Miss Telford's fame will go down in the annals of 'Toba's dramatic history. We cannot express the deep admiration 'Toba has for this brilliant, capable "College Girl." She was the moving spirit in every scheme for the good of her college, and both college and class send out the most sincere wishes for her future work, whatever that may be.

Loyalty has been the characteristic of all 'Toba's students, and of all the loyal students who have passed between our venerable turrets, there have been none more devoted or loyal than Miss Maud McCauley, of the '08 class. It is not an easy thing to uphold one third of the honor of the graduating ladies, but Miss McCauley has placed the '08 ladies high esteem of Manitoba College and the in the University.

Miss McCauley is not a Manitoba girl, but hails from our newest province, Alberta. She received her early education in the Edmonton public schools, and in the High



School of that place. Like so many Western girls she taught both in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, having attended the Normal in Regina. Since coming to college Miss McCauley has won the love and esteem of her fellow students. This girl was the only one of the '08's brave enough to take that course of endless complications—Mathematics. In this she has always taken a brilliant stand and to the pride and delight of her class-mates in her third year, took one of the scholarships in that course.

Miss McCauley devoted equal attention to her college life. Ever the friend and helper of the new student, those of maturer college years appreciated her presence no less. She was a staunch supporter of the Literary Society, and in the Dramatic Society showed a skill of impersonation seldom surpassed. No less enthusiastic in out-door sports, on each Field Day, at each game of football and hockey she was to be found among the most enthusiastic on the side lines.

College students have a tendency to become too collegiate and narrow in their views. It takes courage to stand aloof from some cherished class or college idea, but thanks is due to this member of the '08 class, who, in her steadfast purpose of hewing out a road straight and true, has often kept us back from pestilient class narrowness.

And now as the time approaches when the '08's must spread their sails and set out for a further and stormier horizon, it is interesting to conjecture how our brilliant student in mathematics, carrying those ideas of progress, truth and duty, will fare on the high seas of life. Judging from the past we can prophesy only success and honor in the future.

The hero of our sketch was but six months old when, seized by the Western fever, he bade farewell to his native village in old "Huron or Bruce" and in company with his parents turned his face toward the land of setting suns. The young pioneer journeyed across the Great Lakes, to Port



Arthur, then along the old Dawson route to Winnipeg and still westward to the beautiful plains north of Carberry where he pitched his camp. Little is known of his early occupations save that he snared gophers, played football, and we were told attended Sunday school.

This tall, dark haired lad with Scotch blood coursing through his veins, true to his race, did more thinking than talking. It was therefore no small surprise to his friends when in the autumn of 1902 he announced that he had decided to invest his life in the Christian ministry, with that end in view he packed his trunk and turned his face toward Manitoba College, where he enrolled as a non-Matric.

Frank soon found his place in college life; his cool judgment and decisive action coupled with high moral discernment won for him an esteemed place among the college men. He served in the executives of the Literary Society and Athletic Association, and during his third year was class representative. Three times he helped the track team to win the University Cup, and was each session found on the half-back line in the senior football team. Last year as captain he led the boys to victory.

While in his second year the claims of the foreign field appealed to him and he decided to prepare for the work of a medical missionary. Accordingly he chose the Science course and will continue his studies next year among the stalwarts of the "skull and cross-bones."

Mr. A. J. Sutherland, known to his many friends as Alec, was born at Lucknow, Ont., on December 31st, 1885. He received part of his public school education in Wingham, Ont. In 1897 his father came west and Alec was finally persuaded to come out also.



Dauphin was the honored town and here Alec continued his education passing his third and second class teachers' examinations. In his spare moments, which were many, he learned football, hockey, curling, baseball, &c., and the knowledge thus gained has greatly benefited 'Toba as the other colleges have good reason to know. A few months were spent in a law office and another three in a drug store, dispensing small but expensive doses to the unsuspecting neighbors.

In 1904, Alec's love of study overcame all other loves, which must have been quite numerous if we may judge by his record since coming to college.

"And so he came to college
To gain a lot of knowledge."

But he was by no means a book-worm and was able to spare time to take part in sports.

He played on the junior football team which won the championship in 1904-05. In 1905 he played inside left on the senior team, and that position he has held up to the present against all comers. He also rendered valuable service on the Football Executive.

Alec has skipped a college rink in the Bonspiel ever since entering, and in 1905 won the Points Competition against curlers from every part of the world. So for that year he was individual curling champion of the world.

In the social organizations of the college he has also been prominent. For two seasons he was on the Literary Society Executive and his presence added greatly to the pleasant features of all conversats. In 1907 he took the part of David in the "Rivals." Alec has a very good ear for music and his selections from the latest opera at the Unique have delighted many a large and appreciative audience in Room A. at every hour of the day and night.

Alec is graduating in science this year, but we may hope to see him at the social functions for some time yet, as he intends entering a law office in the city.

One of the sharpest of the bunch of naught eights is Mr. Campbell, commonly called Billie by his friends. Billie is an out and out westerner, being born at Minnedosa, November 5th, 1885 and having received his education up to the present day in the city of Winnipeg.



Billie acquired the scholarship habit on coming to 'Toba as had some of his brothers before him. His record along this line is seldom equalled and has never been surpassed. In Part II Matriculation he took the Latin and Mathematics scholarship. In his first year as an undergraduate he captured a Latin and Mathematics scholarship and also an honorable mention in Biology. In his Sophomore year he took a Latin-English and Philosophy scholarship and an honorable mention in French. Billie chose science as his course to specialize in and last year added to his scholarship record by winning first money in science.

Although the winning of scholarships was Billie's main forte yet he also took his place in the different college organizations. He served a term both on the Literary Society Executive and on the College Journal staff. In 1907 when the Students' University Council was first organized he was chosen as Manitoba's representative and the following year, 1908, he was elected to the honorable position of President of this Council.

Billie intends going into Medicine and will likely be found for the next four years in attendance at Manitoba Medical College.

On a sunny morning in October, 1904, H. R. L. Henry entered Manitoba College. The bright-eyed crow between the towers cawed its prophetic dictum and flapped away to the northern sunlit cold, it had seen another autumn bring another hero to 'Toba and time would do the rest.

Howard first distinguished himself on the night of October 31st, when in Room A he rang everybody deaf with



the college dinner-bell wearing that super-seraphic smile he has displayed only once since, when 'Toba won a football championship in defiance of all expectation.

But to recount the deeds of the subject of this sketch is a far easier matter than it would be to achieve them. No department of college life is there but is indebted to him in some way. As a student—for Mr. Henry was a student first of all—he brought honor to his college and class since scholarships were with him a matter of course.

From October to December he was the idol of every man who had an ambition to play left forward, and in equal degree was he abhorred of the goalkeeper. When a student was wanted who would secure election to any office of any college organization he was the man nominated and in his offices he displayed an ability not universal. This spring he won the recognition of all his merits in gaining the Rhodes' Scholarship.

No one knows the future, destiny brings men to success in her own chosen ways and the estimates of God and men do not always coincide; but with confidence the students of Manitoba College unite in wishing him three years of the richest enjoyment in old Oxford and a life crowned with true success and the most effective service.

He was born in Brandon twenty-three years ago and in this ambitious section of our provincial life developed those qualities which have made his name an honored one in Manitoba University. He came to us in October, 1904, from Brandon Collegiate with a train of honors won at matriculation which he has been repeating ever since. During his junior years at 'Toba his name is known to us chiefly through the honor lists of the University where honors in Latin, Mathematics and Greek attest the depth and accuracy of his learning. In his third and fourth years he has entered more and more into the life of the college and his fellow students have rewarded him by electing him an intercollegiate



debater on two occasions on both of which he has proven himself a master of detail, logical arrangement and clear-cut presentation of his subject. His third year was crowned with the scholarship in classics. As the Editor-in-chief of the College Journal he has ably sustained, if not surpassed, the high standards of his predecessors in office.

But while we respect him for his scholarship, his undoubted ability as a debater and his journalistic prowess, we honor him most of all for certain traits of character. A remarkable capacity for constant application, a tenacious memory and a grasp of detail immediately impress one and if Carlyle was right when he penned the line—"Genius: an infinite capacity for taking pains"—then of necessity must the subject of this brief sketch be enrolled among the ranks of Genius. But this characteristic in its development did not obliterate his sense of humor—and who will ever forget his "yarns" at which our eyes did weep and our sides did ache?—or his broad sympathy and consideration for others. It did however tend to make him more reserved, which gave to him that calm and dignified exterior.

Manitoba College loses in him a distinguished student and a man of unblemished character. Wherever his lot may be cast—and we imagine Brandon and Law will claim him—we feel sure that 'Toba will always have cause to be proud of Stuart F. Arthur.

In the fall of 1902 a form perhaps of medium height, but possessing a pair of fairly broad shoulders, ornamented above with a rather Napoleon-like face, the chin of which was the proud owner of an attractive dimple, might have been seen on Vaughan wending its way northwards from Portage Ave. Whither bound? Manitoba College. It enters the Registrar's office with doubtful step, receives the brisk "good morning" of the busy little man who acts in that capacity,

and the person the form represents enrolls as a student of Manitoba College—under the name of R. N. Matheson.



Where from, you ask? Oh, Owen Sound—more than one good man has made that his birth-place. And so we come to the early days of our friend. His youth was spent near and in Owen Sound—Parents are ambitious for the boy: Parents—Day School. Boy—Hookey and Trout. Parents—Sunday School. Boy—Antipathy, preference Trout again, perhaps football in the back field behind the bluff. Results: Parents—The gad (hickory). The boy—penitence, felt as deep as the sore spot.

In his young manhood we learn that he spent a few months in Business College, but suddenly a period of unrest closed in upon our hero and for a year or more we have him leading a nomadic life, the Canadian West and the State of Michigan being the chief scenes of his travels. Perhaps it was during this time that he fully decided as to his future career, and for the Christian Ministry. Consequently we are not surprised to find him back at his books in Owen Sound Collegiate and receiving such an introduction to the congregation of Greek and Latin verbs that ever since they have been his supreme delight.

In response to the call for men the spring of 1902 found "Bob," as we shall now call him, preparing for the West again and service on a mission field. Then in the fall of the same year we have him as pictured in the opening paragraph of our sketch. He matriculated in the spring of '03, remained on his field during the next term, and then joined the ranks of the '08 class in the fall of '04.

In every phase of college life we have "Bob" taking a very keen interest—although not actively participating in athletics, always was the college certain of a staunch supporter in him.

The Residence Council, the Debating Society, the Journal Staff, the Executive of the Y.M.C.A., all at different times perhaps claimed him as a member, and wherever good

sound judgment, based to a large extent on experience, was required, there the subject of this sketch proved his ability and perception.

He goes forth from our halls, graduating with honors in the general course, to a future for which we predict success and which we know shall be full of usefulness.

J. Adam Smith, who joined the naughty eights in their junior year is one who has come from the quiet little village of Arthur, Wellington County, Ontario. In the high school of



his native town Ad. not only gained his first glimpse of the great field of learning which has ever since lured him on but he also developed a passion for a good joke or a lively trick which not even the West with all its strifes has ever been able to quell. In his early 'teens Ad. came west with his father and Gladstone, Manitoba, became his new home. In the high school there he continued his studies, taking out his Third and Second Class Teacher's Certificates. Still, unsatisfied, he pressed onward in the pursuit

of higher learning and at the opening of the season 1900-01 he enrolled himself in 'Toba College. His never failing stories of those hilarious days have many times during the past two years brought wonder and delight to not a few who gathered in to hear of the days of long ago. After taking two years of his course, however, Ad. was forced to drop out for two years, most of which time he spent teaching school in the West. But when October came again in 1906 he could refrain no longer and returned to the O. H., bent on completing his Arts course.

Though his course has been broken in this way there is no phase of college life with which he has not been identified. For two years he represented old 'Toba at the University field meet winning no mean place for himself among the sprinters. He was also captain of the Junior Football team for one season. In his third year his name appeared in the Dramatis

Personae of the "Rivals," put on in the college. In his final year he was a member of the Journal staff and of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet as well as taking an active interest in all other college affairs.

In fact all through his course Ad. has shown a type of character so wholesome and enlivening that he has won for himself many true friends who will watch with interest his future career in the teaching profession to which he has now turned his whole energy.

In the early eighties Mr. Fred Sutherland was a small, pleasant faced boy who used to delight in being around the dairy on the farm and in sharing the cream and expressing an ambition to become a milkman.



This faculty of getting the cream served him in good stead in later life when he acquired higher ideals and had to separate the contents of ponderous college texts and get the cream of their thoughts for examination purposes.

He received his common school education at Stratford and his matriculation at the noted Stratford Collegiate.

He came West with his parents and settled at Roland in 1901.

After remaining out of college for three years he joined Toba's '08 class and took the General Course. While in college his fellow students showed their esteem for him by electing him to the very important position of Residence Councillor. He also held several other important positions in the Literary Society and Y. M. C. A.

His ministerial career is assured not only from his eloquence but also on account of his ability to portray and represent character, having proven this ability in college amateur theatricals.

Mr. Sutherland, although handicapped by ill health, took a prominent part in all out-door sports and has always made a creditable showing in his examinations.

He will resume his studies at 'Toba, taking a course in Theology, after which he intends going abroad to foreign missions, probably to India, where his talent as a linguist will, no doubt, give him a leading place among the laborers of the foreign field.

Portage la Prairie is one of those few places that have become famous for the great men whom they have cast upon life's fitful sea. It was here that Mr. Hamilton Paterson



spent his early boyhood days, plodding to school with "shining morning face." Later we find him in an eastern boy's college, from which, not finding satisfaction for his western-bred love of life, he returned to Winnipeg where he diligently pursued his studies through the Collegiate Institute. In the fall of 1904 he joined himself with the '08 undergrads and under their noble banner has marched triumphantly onward until that long coveted prize is at length his and theirs. During his

college course he has won the true admiration and regard of all those with whom he has come in contact, because he possesses those qualities which have made him a general favorite in college circles. As a man in the true sense, Mr. Paterson has always manifested that faculty of keen insight and reliable judgment which is so drawn upon in connection with the complexities of student life, as well as life in general. In all the activities of college affairs he has taken a lively interest, most especially in the athletic sphere. He has been a leader of the gymnasium students' class of the city Y.M.C.A., with which Manitoba College is intimately identified, and as a foremost curler he was last season President of the Manitoba College Curling Club. In social circles his prudence and good sense coupled with a rare wit have won him a warm place in the hearts of his fellow students. As secretary of his class he has capably filled his role as "Moses" with his fellow "Israelites." Hamilton has chosen the law profession, and

with the best wishes of 'Toba we rejoice because we know that he shall adorn that calling with the splendid trophies of energy and character which have forced from our hearts a genuine esteem and a lasting love.

Manitoba College sends forth each year her quota of young men and women to take their places in the larger life of the world. She sends forth some intellectual prodigies and some athletic phenoms; but thank goodness by far the greatest number she sends forth from year to year are "all-round" men who, in the development of their intellect, have not forgotten the physical and spiritual side of their life. No one will deny that Jas. H. Urie—known to us all as Jimmie—should be placed in the last-named group. Deloraine claimed Jimmie for a son some twenty-three years ago, and there it was he gained his 3rd and 2nd Class Teacher's Certificate. Later he took his Collegiate course at



Brandon, and came to 'Toba in 1904 with the class of '08.

Jimmie never startled anyone with an overdose of scholarships, yet he always won a creditable place in the lists of the University, and in his honor course in Philosophy, he has proven himself a student of marked ability. He never overawed his opponents in the athletic field, yet he was always recognized as a player of undoubted merit and gentlemanly instincts. Hockey, curling, and particularly football claimed his attention, and in all his play he was consistent and unselfish. He was captain of the junior football team during the season 1906-7. And then, too, he was a star debater and led our team to victory last January over our foemen-friends from Wesley. Nor is that all. He was a leader in Y.M.C.A. work not only in 'Toba but also in the University, being President of the College and University Y.M.C.A. during the past session. He was always a valued member of executives—Literary, Debating, Athletic, Y.M.C.A.—and his work was always conscientiously done.

Kind and sympathetic, straightforward, generous, honorable, just, on occasion serious, but with a fount of fun forever on the point of bubbling over, he lived his life among us nobly and well. We are proud to have been associated with him and his Alma Mater will be proud of him in the future when he shall have entered upon his great life work—the Ministry.

William Edge Jopp was born in the village of Edge Hill, Ontario. Migrating west he received his public and high school education at Moosomin, Sask. After remaining away



from academic life for a few years he became imbued with the idea of gaining an education that would better qualify him for the duties of life and citizenship. To this end he entered Brandon College in '04. There he spent three very studious and successful years during which time he distinguished himself as being the possessor of extraordinary business and political acumen. After amending the constitution of the Literary Society he eventually became its president.

Mr. Jopp in all his academic studies was imbued with a thirst for knowledge which could not be quenched. This search for knowledge drove him to Manitoba College, Winnipeg, to there complete his course, and obtain his degree. Shortly after Mr. Jopp's arrival, by his untiring efforts and thorough knowledge of the British and other national constitutions, he so stirred up the Debating Society, till then a body little known or recognized in the College, that it became one of the chief societies in the institution. The Debating Society, on his advice, was re-organized under the form of the British constitution; this proved to be so eminently satisfactory that a movement was at once put on foot to re-organize all the societies in the College under one head, on the same basis.

This is only a small part of what Mr. Jopp in his one year has accomplished. In that one year he has done more for his college and fellow students than many have done in

four. Both his class-mates and the faculty have nothing but the very greatest hopes for Mr. Jopp's future, when he shall enter the wider field of politics through the gateway of the law.

For the last five or six years there has been no more familiar face around the college halls and campus than that of A. Nelson Grant, and to most of our readers he will need no introduction



Mr. Grant is one of the few graduates who have been born and educated in Manitoba. His father is a pioneer of the West, coming out some time in the '70s to the Minnedosa district, then known as Little Saskatchewan. Nels received his early instruction in the Cameron Public School where, no doubt, he had his first day dreams of a college career and of the time when he should have learned all that anyone could possibly know. After securing his third class certificate there he spent a few years in the teaching profession, but he never lost sight of his college course, and in 1902 we find him registered as a matriculation student at 'Toba. The following year he proceeded with his Arts course as a member of the '07 class. After passing his first and second year examinations he was obliged to drop out for one year, but the following winter he came back with the '08 class, specializing in the department of philosophy.

Nels has always been a general favorite with the students and a loyal supporter of old 'Toba. He has scarcely ever been known to miss a football game or a hockey match in which his college was interested. He also took an equal interest in all other college organizations. By hard work and perseverance he has overcome every obstacle in the way of his degree, and we feel sure that the same indomitable courage will win for him well-merited success in the great world in which he is about to take his place.

Later history will likely record that Margaret, Man., was the birthplace of a great philosopher and metaphysician who far surpassed the great Critic of Konigsburg in the fact that his expositions of philosophic truths were such as could be easily apprehended by ordinary human understanding; but for ourselves, we can only state that Norman A. McMillan was born at Margaret and growing up there he attended public school where his diligence and accuracy of expression made him a successful student.



He came to 'Toba in 1902 and matriculated in 1904. In the third year of his undergraduate course he succeeded in taking the second scholarship in philosophy.

Mr. McMillan has ably supported the Y.M.C.A. and other societies of the college and has taken an active part in sports, having been captain of the Junior Hockey Team for '06-07.

It is his intention to take further work in philosophy and whatever field of activity he may eventually choose, we know that what he does will be done right and with that definiteness and accuracy characteristic of him.

COMMERCE AS CULTURE.

E. J. THOMAS, '06,

"The Age of Chivalry is gone—that of sophisters, calculators and economists has succeeded and the glory of Europe is extinguished forever." If the famous orator, who over a century ago thus vehemently protested against what he conceived to be the sordid mercenary spirit of the age, were alive to-day he would surely find much in our modern western civilization to confirm him in his opinion. We must not be unduly pessimistic, but neither can we afford to shut our eyes to patent realities. No one who is at all thoughtful can fail to see our immediate future as a nation and as individuals threatened with serious peril, by reason of the hard, cold commercial atmosphere that is permeating every sphere of activity.

The life of an American farmer has been thus summarized : Object—to make more money to buy more land, to raise more corn, to feed more hogs, to make *more* money—and here a second concentric circle begins, and a human soul once fairly launched in this circumscribed runway, wears itself out in a mad race after land and corn and money and hogs. Of course the foregoing picture is greatly exaggerated, but without doubt it contains a germ of profound truth. And the cap fits others as well as our neighbors to the South.

This commercial bias militates against higher education. The problem often presents itself to the undergraduate as to whether he is wise in spending four years, amassing information that cannot be directly utilized in the business world. The hard headed man of affairs seldom has much encouragement to offer him. He cites to him the masters of finance who are uneducated men and the college graduates who are eeking out a bare existence. Such arguments however prove little. They measure success by a purely material standard. But our nation is doomed if we allow success to be so estimated. Such a conception may, to borrow a phrase from Kipling's address to the Canadian Club of Winnipeg, transform our cities into parks of organized enterprise, but it can never teach a collection of packing boxes tack-hammered together on a prairie to uplift and dominate a continent. The colossal selfishness and intrigue of high finance as exposed by Thomas Lawson, the terrible and revolting social and economic conditions pictured in "The Jungle," these be the offspring of a soul-consuming passion for money.

If, as they should, four years of college life can broaden our sympathies, can awaken within us a love for art and literature and philosophy and science, so that while performing our share of toil and drudgery that falls to everyone's lot in this busy, work-a-day world of ours we can still refuse to allow ourselves to become entirely mercenary, then our student days have rendered us an invaluable service. And when perchance in after life a legion of demons enters into our swine and drives them to destruction over the cliffs we shall neither perish with the thick skinned herd, nor be left behind entirely disconsolate.

THE FUTURE OF CANADA.

J. R. S. BLACK, '07

The past of Canada has been a steady growth and a sturdy development. Three hundred years ago Champlain founded Quebec and for 150 years after New France peopled by some of the best of the old land animated by a spirit more patriotic than commercial was moulded into a foundation for the Dominion of Canada of 1867. The actual transfer of Canada from France to Great Britain was not really a marked departure, it was a gradual development. The benefits of the early settlement were retained and fostered because the conquering country was, as ever, generous enough and broad enough to make a constitution according to the image of the people.

In the period from 1763 to 1867 the assimilation of the conquered, their fostering of their love for and their trust in the conquerors was the work of the statesmen of that time. The monument to their labors we have with us now.

There is no doubt that the protection of Great Britain, her maternal guidance and instruction were necessary to Canada just as those maternal benefits are necessary to a child. We still receive them, though to a less degree—the child has grown. Does it need them, has the time come to cut the strings or shall we still continue to be dependent on our mother, yielding no return for her care?

Canada does not care, some say, to be "the bright gem in the Imperial crown." The day has come when it is unsatisfactory to shine only, to be an ornament, but if we must shine, why not shine in a setting of our own?

What is our destiny, what are we doing for the future? The results of the activity of this generation are going to determine this, the making or unmaking of this Dominion is in our hands. Ever anxious for the immediate benefit we are unmindful of this enormous responsibility, but the time has come when Canada must advance from the age of childhood, cut the umbilical cord and live its own life. To me there appear three alternatives:

1. Annexation with the United States;
2. Independence;
3. A member of an Imperial Federation.

To join our interests with the United States would be an admission of our inability to stand alone. To merge our fresh, unimpaired nationality with theirs already aged with commercial struggles and class and mass hatred and distrust would be too great a price to pay even for the sake of sharing in adulation to a Roosevelt or in a temperance reform.

While the dignity of an independent nation would gratify our vanity and emphatically assert that all men are unequal we cannot forget that mother's love, the long line of noble men and women to the memory of whom we point with pride of ownership, the liberty and peace that is ours through them because we are of them. The civil strife that would arise from such a course is as certain as the taking of such a course is chimerical.

But you ask why not remain in statu quo, and resting on Anglo-Saxon self-satisfaction you dream of the permanency of The British Empire. Once Rome was eternal and on what do we base our belief that our empire is to be more enduring than she?

There must be an advancement for Canada in keeping with the age of the British Empire. The colonies must come to their own not independent of the old land but through her. We have now the contractual capacity, let there be the mutuality and equality coupled with the sacredness of contract that will redound to the individual advancement and the Imperial permanency.

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CONVOCATION.

On Friday afternoon, May 15th, Convocation was held in the Walker Theatre. Unfortunately the new University Chancellor, Archbishop Matheson, was unable to be present, therefore his chair was taken by the Vice-Chancellor, Chief Justice Dubuc.

On this occasion a new feature was introduced, namely the designation of rank in the degrees. The diplomas of graduates making from 34 to 67 per cent. on their examinations were marked "rite," those taking from 67 to 80 per cent. were marked "cum laude," and those over 80, "magna cum laude."

After the opening speeches of the Vice-Chancellor, in which he reviewed the work of the University, came the presentation of degrees to those graduating in all the Faculties of the University, followed by the presentation of medals. This was followed by a speech from Prof. Short of Queen's University, an able address upon educational and university problems in modern times, and particularly in newer and western countries.

Convocation brought to a close a very successful year for the Arts Department of Manitoba College. The graduating class took its share of honors, while the undergraduate years made an unparalleled record in the winning of scholarships. The seventeen students of the senior class graduated without losing any of their number. Their names are :--

Arthur, Stuart F.
Campbell, W. E. G.
Graham, Miss Frances B.
Grant, A. Nelson
Henry, H. R. L.
Jopp, William E.
Matheson, Robert N.
McCauley, Miss Maud M.
McKinnon, Frank L.
McMillan, Norman A.
Paterson, Hamilton
Smith, J. Adam
Sutherland, Alex. J.
Sutherland, Fred. G.

Telford, R. F. (in absentia)

Thompson, Miss A. A. C.

Urie, James H.

In the winning of medals Manitoba College was represented as follows :—

Classics, Silver Medal—S. F. Arthur

Mathematics, Silver Medal—Miss M. McCauley

Natural Science, Bronze Medal—W. E. Campbell

Philosophy, Silver Medal—N. A. McMillan

The list of scholarships reads as follows :—

Third Year—

Classics—W. F. Guild, \$100.

Miss Maud Bissett, \$75.

Science—C. K. Guild, \$100.

J. W. S. Duncan, \$75.

Mathematics—F. D. McCharles, \$100.

Philosophy—E. D. Honeyman, \$87.50.

Moderns—Miss Blanche Stevens, \$100.

General—Miss B. Thomas, \$100.

Of the scholarships open to English-speaking students

'Toba 3rd year captured all but two.

Second Year—

English, Philosophy, Latin and History—

J. G. G. Bompas, \$60.

J. T. Thorson, \$60.

Greek—J. T. Thorson, Honorable Mention.

Mathematics—Miss May Bastin, \$40.

First Year—

Latin and Mathematics—C. F. Cameron, \$60.

W. C. Shearer, \$60.

E. R. Siddall, \$60.

English—C. R. Hopper, \$40.

Greek—C. S. Millar, \$40.

French—Miss G. I. McIntyre, \$40,

E. R. Siddall, Honorable Mention.

German—Miss G. I. McIntyre, Honorable Mention.

G. S. Rutherford, \$20.

A MIDSUMMER DAY'S EPISODE.

F. G. S.

In our northern land when surly winter imprisons us in his stout, icy bands, we love to recall by way of consolation days gone by or days to come when summer gilds the land in golden splendor and the frigid king has taken his flight. It was the time of a July noon-day "siesta" in the heart of a great city. The gorgeous sun above mercilessly poured down his rays upon roof and pavement until it seemed the very earth should take fire and animal life warp to nothingness. All commercial traffic had gradually subsided, and even the ever-watchful guardian of the peace reluctantly measured his beat. At the dead of this Moscow-like stillness something happened, which, if it had been less tragic or thrilling, might have been enacted without an audience, and in that case would certainly not at the present moment appear upon the historical records of this particular great city. At an intolerable moment when it seemed nature herself called out for relief against the oppressing monotony, just as in days of old at the solicitation of his gentle lady the stout champion knight came forth to do battle for her cause, a sturdy bovine towered into the street; where he came from being as much of a conundrum as the suddenness of his appearance—and such a picture of animal strength! Stout, hairy legs, huge neck, massive head and powerful horns. In contrast to his surroundings he was very much awake, and the savage gleam in his eyes spoke speedy destruction for something. He waited not long for a prey—a solitary pedestrian walking leisurely on the opposite side stopped in amazement to look upon the formidable monster, who at that particular moment was taking a general circum-spection of the street. Instantly our bovine friend sighted him and made a dash. The victim also making a dash in the opposite direction did a foot race round corners and through lanes and over back fences with agility that would have done credit to an accomplished athlete. The animal chased hotly after the bright colored dress but it was in vain, for having followed through a labyrinth of lanes and alleys, he was suddenly confronted by a huge brick wall, and there he stood.

By this time a considerable crowd had become in evidence and after the two sprinters had disappeared, they waited breathlessly for word of the battle from the half dozen press report-

ers who had come to take brief notes. Suddenly the enraged brute reappeared upon a street corner and the spectators made a hasty retreat within doors to be secure, and the street was again deserted. No, not quite so, for not a block away a little black "Dago" apparently more bold than his fellow townsmen stood defiantly before his candy shop watching the manoeuvres of the animal. His white coat, or perhaps his black face attracted the attention of our horned giant, who lowering his head and closing his eyes rushed straight at the man. The latter losing courage and considering discretion the better part of valor, sought the protection of his peanut counter; and for just a moment laughed an anticipated disappointment for his pursuer. But to his utter amazement and to the destruction of his entire earthly possessions, the determined brute forgetting to open his eyes leaped over the pavement and through the window apparently fixed on getting at his victim. In the awkward position of being half in and half out, the unfortunate animal obviously required assistance, meanwhile the peanut vendor having abandoned his little fort, brought up a sufficient force who destroyed the unruly but brave champion.

SOCIETIES

Y. M. C. A.

March 24. Dr. Bland spoke on "The Spirit of Reconciliation." He first dwelt upon the work of Christ in reconciling God and man. Then he turned to the need of the spirit of reconciliation: in the West, to unite the different peoples that mingle here; in the church to reconcile the practical and speculative temperaments; in the realm of thought, to reconcile religion, science and philosophy. With the voice of a prophet he turned to the social question with its strife between capital and labor ending with a plea for men who should go forth in the interests of justice and the common good of man to mediate and reconcile.

The following have been elected as the Y. M. C. A. Executive for 1908-09:

Pres.	-	P. N. Murray.
Vice-Pres.	- -	W. McIvor.
Sec.	- - -	J. Ritchie.
Treas.	- -	A. O'Donnell.

Literary Society

March 27. At this meeting which was the last for the term the first prize for public speaking was awarded to J. T. Thorson and the second to S. F. Arthur, while W. A. Hunter carried off the prize for reading and recitation.

On the same date the elections were held for the fall term of 1908, the following being elected :

Hon. President :	Dr. Bryce.
President :	W. F. Guild.
First Vice-Pres. :	A. D. Anderson.
Second Vice-Pres. :	W. C. Shearer.
Cor. Secretary :	D. Cameron.
Rec. Secretary :	F. D. McCharles.
Treasurer :	W. A. McFetridge.
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	E. R. Siddal.
Auditors :	A. H. Warner.
	J. H. Moir.
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	F. Florence.

BY THE WAY

Brandon College a few weeks ago sent down a challenge to Manitoba, inviting her to an intercollegiate debating contest. The challenge was promptly accepted on the condition that the debate took place early in the term. The debating committee met and chose Mr. W. O. Mulligan, '09, and Mr. J. T. Thorson, '10, to debate against Brandon. The committee also gave them a free hand to make whatever arrangements they saw fit, in the matter of time, place, subjects, judges, etc.

The Literary Society's elections this year were the most keenly contested we have had for some time. The fight for the presidency between Mr. Guild and Mr. Mulligan being an especially keen one. The vote is said to have been the largest polled for some years, and up to near the end the result was in doubt. Now that all is over, and interest has once more been aroused, 'Tobans can depend upon having a Literary Society worthy of her name and traditions. Several new and necessary features will be introduced, which should add considerable interest to the meetings.

The Editor-in-Chief for next year would deem it a great favor if a number of the students would take a little time this summer to write up short sketches, stories, poems, skits, etc.,. There are many advantages in so doing. The articles would be better finished from a literary standpoint. They would contain better material as more time would be given to thought upon the subject than there could be in the winter with its round of studies, sports and conversats. Doing this work in the summer would lighten the labors of the staff in the winter. It would mean a high standard of literary excellence. Finally, it would be a great benefit to every man and woman who wrote, in that it undoubtedly gives a training and cultivates an art—the art of expression—which has received but little attention on the part of many of our students and graduates alike.

EX COLLEGIIS

Amongst the recent arrivals of exchanges which the editor of this column has been able to get hold of before being "swiped" by some unscrupulous patrons of the reading room are the St. John's College Magazine and the Presbyterian College Journal. No doubt others will follow soon. In the "Magazine" St. John's staff appear to have kept the "best till the last." The number might well be called the "illustrated" as it contains cuts of the champion hockey team, the debating champions, the dramatic society and a pretty cut of St. John's Cathedral. The literary material is of a high order and reflects great credit on writers and editor alike. A useful article is one on "The Practical Use of Debating." Mr. Chisholm, as editor-in-chief, is to be complimented on this issue of his magazine and for his stand in reference to the History and English course which the Second and First Years desire to have instituted in the University curriculum.

The Presbyterian College Journal from Montreal is the graduating number and among the fortunates who are now full blown finished theologues we notice our old friend "Rup." Stewart. He appears to have made a hit down in Montreal, in fact a series of them as now he has finished a home run and is back, in spite of the charms of the East and fair Easterners, in the "wild and woolly." The Journal attains a very high standard of literary excellence in this issue, though most of

the material is of the "heavy" type. All the articles are worth reading and thinking upon. "The Book Shelf" contains a good article on "The Problem of Faith and Freedom in the Last Two Centuries," a book by Dr. Oman, and the criticism by Prof. Welsh. The address to the graduates and the valedictory are of a high and elevated idealism and well worth remembering and practicing.

ALUMNI

The Alma Mater Society held its twentieth annual reunion in the Royal Alexandra on Friday evening, March 27th and the function was unquestionably the most pleasing and successful ever held under the auspices of the organization. The beautiful dining room had been decorated in perfect taste and presented a most attractive appearance when the long line of guests had entered and been seated.

The toast list was a brief one, only three speeches being made. J. T. Haig, '01 speaking for the Alma Mater referred to the increasing list of Alumni of the college who had attained honorable positions and added lustre to the fame of the Alma Mater. Among these were Rev. Alex. Dunn, who had been selected for a most important post in connection with foreign missionary work; Dr. Frank Wisbrook, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine in the University of Minnesota; John MacLean, the first Rhodes Scholar, who was chosen by the British Government for a position in India; Mr. D. McIntyre, Superintendent of city schools; and Mr. J. A. Campbell, M.P.P.

Mr. Alex. MacLeod, of Morden, speaking for the University and Sister Institutions gave a brief account of the work of Dr. Grant at Queen's. Dr. Grant had been marked by three characteristics—a child-like trust in God, a sublime faith in his fellow-men and an unflinching devotion to truth. He had made Queen's the most democratic of institutions and had placed its internal control wholly in the hands of the student body. During his tenure of office, the number of teachers and professors rose from six to twenty-five, and the number of students from eighty to eight hundred.

G. H. Ross, in a witty and humorous speech replied to the toast to the ladies.

At the conclusion of the speeches the guests retired from the dining room to the parlors of the hotel where an hour was spent conversing with the friends of former days, Mr. J. J. Polson, '99, contributed to the evening's enjoyment by rendering two excellent vocal solos. The function was brought to a close by all joining in "Auld Lang Syne," and the more youthful graduates whooping the 'Iji.'

Mr. Chas. Hislop, '97, has been appointed Railway Mail Inspector at Moose Jaw.

Mr. M. G. Melvin, '05, captured the Cheyne Scholarship for general proficiency, in his final year theology at Knox College.

On April 16th, Rev. J. Leslie Boyd died at his home in Listowell, Ont. Mr. Boyd graduated from Manitoba University in 1902 with high honors, winning the silver medal in philosophy. He then went for his theology to Knox College, Toronto, and finished a most distinguished course in 1905. After completing his studies he accepted a call to Sutton, Ont., and remained there until last September, when he was forced to give up his work on account of ill health. The Journal extends its sympathy to the sorrowing friends.

Mr. F. W. Kerr, who swept the prize list in the graduating class of Knox College this spring, and whom the West claims as one of her own sons, passed through Winnipeg on his way to Field, B.C., where he will engage in mission work during the summer. In the autumn, in accordance with the terms of one of his prizes, Mr. Kerr will cross the Atlantic to pursue his studies in Europe.—The Westminster.—This is the second successive year that a son of 'Toba has captured the travelling scholarship in Knox College.—Al. Ed.

Mr. J. W. Stevenson, '05, has gone to Edmonton as assistant to Rev. D. McQueen in the First Presbyterian Church. Mr. Stevenson will also organize a new congregation.

Mr. D. McIvor, '05, has received and accepted a call to La Riviere, Man.

On Tuesday evening, April 28, Rev. Hugh Hamilton, B.D., was inducted into the charge of Old Kildonan congregation by the Rev. Dr. Hart. Rev. D. N. McLachlan preached the induction sermon and Rev. W. A. McLean addressed the congregation.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Sibbald, Third Avenue, Kitsalano, B.C., was the scene of a very happy event on Thursday evening, April 16, when their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth (Dollie) was united in marriage to Dr. William McConkey, of Vancouver, B.C. The interesting ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H. Cameron, assisted by Rev. J. W. Woodside, '04, a class-mate of the bride's. Miss Jean Polson played the bridal music. Dr. and Mrs. McConkey left for a trip to California and other Southern States, and on their return will reside in Kitsalano.

A very pretty though quiet wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Krieger, 408 Langside Street, on Monday, April 6, when Miss Winifred Krieger became the wife of the Rev. L. Ernest Gosling. Rev. J. L. Gordon, of the Central Congregational Church tied the nuptial knot. After the ceremony the happy couple left for Red Deer, where Mr. Gosling will have charge of a mission station.

In St. Giles Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, April 28, Miss Agnes MacLellan was married to Edwin B. Reynolds, Rev. W. H. MacLean officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds are now honey-mooning in the West, and on their return will reside at 348 St. John's Avenue.

St. Stephen's Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday evening, April 21st, when Miss Bertie Ovas was married to Mr. Ralph E. Frost of Vancouver, B.C. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Andrew Chisholm assisted by the Rev. Mr. Cooke. Mr. and Mrs. Frost will make their home in Vancouver.

Miss Vera Glenn and Miss D. Williams of the '06 class spent Easter week in the city.

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